Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

I am very outraged at the proposed tax increase/ shift. Taxes are already outrageous. I wouldn't mind paying taxes if the money were spent wisely, but when I see government leaders living such extravagant lives, while I work 60+ hours a week to just survive, it makes me angry. There is no legitimate reason to raise our taxes. If this happens I just might get rid of telephone service all together. I have already disassociated myself with traditional telephone service, and I am not afraid to return to the days of writing letters for all non-verbal communications.

I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair!

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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